

REMARKS

Claims 1-13 are all the claims pending in the application.

Statement of Substance of Interview

On October 5, 2006, a telephonic interview was conducted between Applicant's representative and the Examiner. Applicant thanks the Examiner for discussing the case with Applicant's representative. During the interview, the differences between the Dyer reference and the claims were discussed. The Examiner indicated that an amendment indicating that the replica driver is "directly" connected to the replica resistor would likely overcome the rejection over Dyer. No agreement with respect to the claims was reached.

It is respectfully submitted that the instant STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW complies with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §§1.2 and 1.133 and MPEP §713.04.

It is believed that no petition or fee is required.

Claim rejections -- 35 U.S.C. § 102

Claims 1-13 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as allegedly being anticipated by Dyer. Applicant has amended independent claims 1 and 12 to recite the feature that the replica driver is directly connected to the replica resistor. This feature is not disclosed by Dyer, as indicated by the Examiner during the October 5, 2006 Interview. Therefore, independent claims 1 and 12 are patentable over Dyer, and the remaining claims are patentable based on their respective dependencies.

Conclusion

In view of the above, reconsideration and allowance of this application are now believed to be in order, and such actions are hereby solicited. If any points remain in issue which the Examiner feels may be best resolved through a personal or telephone interview, the Examiner is kindly requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account.

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